BANGALORE CITY MUNICIPALITY.

No. 16.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BANGALORE, HELD ON MONDAY THE 6TH SEPTEMBER 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present 23 | Absent 7

The proceedings of the Council Meetings dated 7th, 9th, 16th, 19th and 25th August 1926 were taken as read.

The interpellations of (1) Mr. B. L. Byanna regarding, (*a*) the sale of the old News papers of the several Reading Rooms, (*b*) the purchase of zinc sheets for zinc sheet stalls in the Market, and (*c*) the work entrusted to the several D. P. W. Contractors of the Municipal Engineering Department during 1925-26 and (2) of Mr. M. Royan, regarding the work turned out by the Municipal Mid-wives in the City, were read and answered.

Additional Urgent Subjects.

1. To sanction the payment of the allowance of Rs. 50 to the Municipal Engineer and of Rs. 25 to the Overseer for being in charge of well works, out of the provision of Rs. 15,000 made in the current year's budget under 9, Water supply and maintenance charges.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

2. To sanction the entertainment of a clerk on Rs. 25 a month for 3 months to prepare the Electoral Rolls for the ensuing election of members for the Representative Assembly and the Legislative Council.

Resolution.—Resolved that the entertainment of a clerk on Rs. 25 for a period of 3 months be sanctioned and other incidental expenditure be incurred and that Government be requested to contribute one-half of the total cost.

Deferred Subject.

1. To consider the resolution of the Managing Committee dated 22nd July 1926, recommending the reduction of the ground rent, from Rs. 35 to Rs. 12 per month for the Municipal land used by Mr. H. Bhadrappa, for theatre in front of Kalasipalyam, in view of the reduced area now occupied.

Resolution.—Resolved that the recommendation of the Managing Committee be approved and that necessary agreement be obtained from the lessee, the least to run for a period of three years.

Ordinary Subjects.

(4) (i) To consider correspondence ending with letter No. 276—WAD., dated 16th August 1926, from the Comptroller, stating that the addition of two hands, *viz.*, one Accounts Clerk and Cashier and one Head Clerk to the Office of the Special Engineer is necessary and sufficient.

Resolution.—Resolved that the addition of 2 hands, *viz.*, (1) Accounts Clerk and Cashier on Rs. 30—3/1—45 and (2) Head Clerk on Rs. 35—3/1—50 for the Office of the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, be sanctioned as approved of by the Comptroller.

5. To approve of the continuance of the grant of Rs. 30 per month to the Milk Depot in Ganigarpet, opened by the Civic and Social Progress Association for another year 1926-27.

Resolution.—Sanctioned for another year (1926-27).

Voting.—18 'For' and 1 'Against'.

6. To sanction the recommendation of the Managing Committee, dated 18th August 1926 to appoint an additional Clerk on Rs. 40 to attend to acquisition work, now transferred to the Municipal Commissioner.

Resolution.—Resolved that the entertainment of a clerk on Rs. 40 a month to attend to the Land Acquisition Work be sanctioned for a period of 6 months in the first instance.

7. To consider the question of continuance or otherwise of the grants-in-aid to various Ayurvedic and Unani Dispensaries and to the Massagist for the official year 1926-27. Also a statement showing the statistics for each institution received from the Health Officer.

Resolution.—Sanctioned for another year 1926-27.

As it was past 7 P.M., the meeting was adjourned to Thursday the 9th September 1926 at 5 P.M.

No. 17.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON THURSDAY THE 9TH SEPTEMBER 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present 22 | Absent 8

Continuation of subjects on the printed Agenda.

8. To finally approve of and confirm the draft bye-laws passed by the Municipal Council and published in the *Mysore Gazette*, of the 17th June 1926 regarding the exemption from Octroi duty of Mysore-made kambalies, revision of taxes on Motor Cars and fixing of licenses in metal holders to vehicles, etc.

Resolution.—Since no objection or suggestions have been received, resolved that a recommendation be submitted to Government to sanction the draft bye-laws referred to above.

13. To approve of the tender for the construction of Mutton Stalls in the Non-Vegetarian Market.

Resolution.—Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao proposed and Mr. B. L. Byanna seconded that the consideration of these tenders be deferred. This was lost as 4 voted 'For' and 11 'Against' it.

2. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar proposed and Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao seconded that the 2nd lowest tender of Mr. B. N. Channarayappa for Rs. 11,036-2-10 be accepted. This was carried, 10 voting 'For' and 7 'Against.'

15. To approve of the plan and estimate for the construction of the Grain Bazaar towards the south in continuation of the block of shops under construction.

Resolution.—Resolved that the plan and the estimate for Rs. 15,200 be sanctioned.

16. To approve of the plan and estimate for extending the Market Frontage towards the east.

Resolution.—Resolved that the plan and estimate for Rs. 8,000 be sanctioned.

18. To approve of the plan and estimate for Rs. 2,045 to improve the circus on the Post Office Road, bounded by the Revenue Survey Office, the Chief Electrical Engineer's Office, the Engineering College, etc., as per letter No. 286, dated 11th August 1926, of the Executive Engineer, Bangalore Division.

Resolution.—The President informed the Council that he has received a revised estimate for Rs. 3,000 from the Municipal Engineer and that the proposition before the house was for Rs. 3,000 and not for Rs. 2,045 as originally proposed. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa raised a point of order that for want of sufficient notice, this subject cannot be taken into consideration. The President gave a ruling that sufficient notice has been given and referred the member to the date of the agenda, *i.e.*, 21st August 1926, and the date of the meeting, *viz.*, 4th September 1926.

The President explained in detail the necessity of effecting the proposed improvements and the advantages which would accrue to the Municipality thereby. After some discussion, the Council unanimously approved of the proposed improvements as per estimate of the Municipal Engineer.

20. To approve of the resolution of the Managing Committee dated 18th August 1926, permitting the shop holders of China Stalls in the New Market, to enclose their verandhs with approved wooden frames so as to secure uniformity on payment of an additional rent of Rs. 2 per month.

Resolution.—Approved.

21. To consider the draft agreement received from the Chief Electrical Engineer with his letter No. D. 851, dated 29th April 1926, in the matter of the royalty payable on street lights from 1st July 1926, for a period of 10 years. Also resolution of the Managing Committee dated 18th August 1926, thereon.

Resolution.—Resolved that the resolution of the Managing Committee be approved and that the same be communicated to the Chief Electrical Engineer.

22. To approve of the resolution of the Managing Committee dated 24th August 1926, proposing the terms on and the rates at which articles of decoration of the Municipality can be lent for the use of others.

Resolution.—Approved.

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday the 15th September 1926, at 5 P.M.

No. 18.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 15TH SEPTEMBER 1926, AT 5 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present 19 | Absent 11

Letter dated 10th September 1926, from Mr. Nilagiri Sanjeevish from Madras stating that he will be absent at Madras for about 2 weeks and that he will not be able to attend the Council meetings was read and recorded.

2. Letter dated 12th September 1926, from Mr. Justice D. K. Rama Rao, conveying the thanks of Mrs. B. Venkoba Rao and other members of her family for the resolution of sympathy passed by the Council at the untimely death of Mr. B. Venkoba Rao, was read and recorded.

25. To approve of the Schedule of rates of the Municipal D. P. W. for 1926-27, as per recommendation of the Managing Committee dated 18th August 1926.

Resolutoin.—Sanctioned.

28. To consider the Municipal Commissioner's Memo dated the 25th August 1926, in the matter of the appointment of Lady Health Visitors.

Resolutoin—Resolved that the services of a Lady Health Visitor, with medical qualifications and knowledge of Kanarese and Hindustani on a salary of Rs. 125 plus Rs. 50 conveyance allowance, per mensem, be entertained for a period of one year in the first instance and that she be given 2 servants on Rs. 12 each per mensem.

Voting.—11 'For' and 6 'Against'.

Poll was demanded by Messrs. C. N. Narasinga Rao and S. N. Sitharama Rao and was granted. The following voted 'For':—1. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, 2. Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva, 3. Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar, 4. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 5. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 6. Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar, 7. Mr. C. K. Hutchappa, 8. Mr. C. M. Chiknanjundappa, 9. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, 10. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, and 11. Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. M. Royan, 2. Mr. N. V. Kalyanapur, 3. Mr. P. M. Basappa, 4. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 5. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, and 6. Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia.

The meeting was then adjourned to Wednesday the 22nd September 1926, at 5 P.M.

No. 19.

PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 18TH SEPTEMBER 1926, AT 8 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present 24 ... Absent 6

2. To consider the report of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Council to go into the irregularities pointed out by the Auditors in the Accounts and Collection Branches of the Municipality.

Resolution.—Mr. G. Paramasiviah moved and Mr. S. N. M. Razvi seconded that the report of the Sub-Committee be adopted. At the request of some of the members, the report of the Sub-Committee and the order of Government relating to the irregularities alleged to have been committed by the Revenue Manager (Mr. A. Narasinga Rao), were read out in extenso. Soon after this was done, Mr. G. Paramasiviah moved and Mr. S. N. M. Razvi seconded that as it was 10-15 A.M., the house be adjourned. This motion was lost as 6 voted 'For' and 14 'Against' it. At this stage both Messrs. G. Paramasiviah and S. N. M. Razvi left the meeting.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, proposed and Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao, seconded that the following resolutions be adopted. Since the mover and the seconder of the first motion were absent and no other member pressed forward the above said motion, the proposition of Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao was allowed.

"(a) Resolved that with reference to the Sub-Committee's report dated August 1926, in the matter of the irregularities alleged to have been committed by the Revenue Manager (Mr. A. Narasinga Rao), the Council do confirm its previous resolutions in this behalf dated 11th and 14th April 1925, which were adopted first in a full committee of the house and later by the Council, after a careful and exhaustive consideration of all the charges preferred against this officer, exonerating him from all blame in connection with them."

"(b) Resolved further that the Council do forward a copy of their previous resolutions dated 11th and 14th April 1925 to Government, with the above resolution."

These propositions were carried, 15 voting 'For' and 3 'Against'.

Messrs. B. N. Vijayadeva and N. V. Kalyanpur demanded a poll. The following voted 'For':—1. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, 2. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 3. Mr. B. V. Krishniengar, 4. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 5. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, 6. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, 7. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, 8. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 9. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 10. Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao, 11. Mr. Nilagiri Sanjeeviah, 12. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, 13. Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, 14. Mr. M. C. Chicknanjundappa, and 15. Mr. G. Siddaveerappa.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva, 2. Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, and 3 Mr. S. Venkataranganengar.

Further consideration of the Sub-Committee's report as regards the Head Accountant and of Subject No. (3) on the agenda relating to Special Engineer was deferred to Saturday the 25th September 1926, at 8 A.M.

No. 20.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 22ND SEPTEMBER 1926, AT 5 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 20. | Absent ... 10.

Special Subject.

1. Opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee dated 2nd September 1926, recommending the grant of a plot of ground measuring 180' x 100' situated to the north of the road leading to the Hanumanthapur burial and Cremation grounds to Mr. M. Venkataswamy, Contractor, for the construction of an Oil Mill at 4 annas per square yard.

Resolution.—Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar proposed and Mr. G. Siddaveerappa seconded the following resolution :—

"Resolved that a plot of ground measuring 180' x 100' situated to the north of the road leading to the Hanumanthapur burial and cremation grounds be sold to Mr. M. Venkataswamy, the applicant, at 4 annas per square yard, for the construction of an Oil Mill and that the land be demarcated by the Municipal Engineer and that the refuse water should be let off beyond the waste weir so as not to contaminate the Jackarayanakere tank water."

Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar proposed an amendment that the words "or for starting any other industrial concern" be added after the words "Oil Mill" in the above resolution. The amendment was lost for want of a seconder.

The original proposition was put to vote and carried, 15 voting 'For' and none 'Against.'

Continuation of the Subjects on the printed Agenda.

29. To consider the application dated 21st August 1926, of Mr. Daroga Abdul Gaffoor of Dodmavalli, appealing against the Commissioner's order declining to grant license for the construction of a building on the vacant land between Kempanna Street and Appiah Street, Dodmavalli.

Resolution.—The question as to whether license may be granted to the applicant was discussed at great length and the following proposition was proposed by Mr. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar and seconded by Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva.

"Resolved that license be granted to the applicant for the construction of a building on the vacant land between Kempanna Street and Appiah Street, Dodmavalli."

Before the proposition was put to vote, Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty proposed and Mr. D. Venkatar miah seconded that the question be referred to the Municipal Advocate for opinion in the first instance.

As there was an equality of votes on this point,—9 voted 'For' and 9 'Against', the substantial proposition resolving to grant license was put to vote and carried. Voting :—9 'For' and 8 'Against'.

For want of time, the remaining subjects were deferred to the next Ordinary General Meeting.

No. 21.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 25TH SEPTEMBER 1926, AT 8 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 23 | Absent ... 7.

Letter dated 23rd September 1926, from Mr. H. Bhadrappa, Municipal Councillor, stating that he will not able to attend the Municipal meetings for about 3 weeks on account of his absence from Bangalore, was read and recorded.

Further consideration of the report of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Council to go into the irregularities pointed out by the auditors in the Accounts and Collection branches of the Municipality.

Resolution.—The report of the Sub-Committee and the letter of Government relating to the irregularities alleged to have been committed by the Head Accountant (Mr. R. Raghunatha Rao) and the explanation of the Head Accountant were read out in extenso.

The subject was discussed at very great length by several of the members present. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao proposed and Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao seconded that the following resolution be adopted :—

"(a) Resolved that with reference to the Sub-Committee's report of August 1926 in the matter of the irregularities alleged to have been committed by the Head Accountant (Mr. R. Raghunatha Rao), the Council do confirm its previous resolution in this behalf dated 9th May 1925, which was adopted first in a full Committee of the house and later by the Council, after a careful and exhaustive consideration of all the charges preferred against this official, exonerating him from all blame in connection with them."

"(*b*) Resolved further that the Council do forward a copy of their previous resolution dated 9th May 1925 to Government with the above resolution."

At this stage, Mr. S. N. M. Razvi raised a point of order, that the proposition before the house at the last meeting on the 18th instant was that the report of the Sub-Committee be adopted and that since this meeting was a continuation of the previous meeting that proposition should be considered. The President referred the member to the minutes of the Proceedings of the last meeting and ruled that there was no such proposition before the house.

The following amendment was then moved by Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao and seconed by Mr. P. M. Basappa.

"This Council is of opinion that it was the system which was defective inasmuch as no duties were clearly specified and which contributed to the irregularities. This Council, is, however, of opinion that the official should have been more diligent."

This amendment was discussed at some length, when Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah proposed an amendment to this amendment that the words "and the Comptroller's Office Auditors" be inserted after the word "Official" in the above amendment. The President ruled this amendment out of order as the subject matter related only to the Municipal Head Account, ant Mr. R. Raghunatha Rao and not to Comptroller's Office Auditors. The amendment of Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, was put to vote and lost, as only three voted 'For' and twelve Against' it.

Further discussion of the original resolutions proposed by Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao and seconded by Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao was again resumed and after much discussion, the propositions were put to vote and carried, nine voting 'For' and eight 'Against'. Messrs. G. Paramasiviah and C. Hayavadana Rao demanded a poll, which was granted.

The following voted 'For':—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, (3) Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao, (4) Mr. G. Muniyappa, (5) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (6) Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, (7) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, (8) Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah, and (9) Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa.

The following voted 'Against':—(1) Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar, (2) Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, (3) Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva, (4) Mr. G. Paramasiviah, (5) Rev. W. H. Thorp, (6) Mr. P. M. Basappa, (7) Mr. M. C. Chicknanjundappa, and (8) Mr. G. Siddaveerappah.

(The President and five other members did not vote.)

Mr. S. N. M. Razvi proposed and Mr. G. Paramasiviah seconded that the report of the Sub-Committee with the remarks made by the individual members of the Committee when that report was sent round to them for acceptance be also sent to Government along with the resolutions. This was unanimously carried.

As it was nearly 12 noon, the meeting was adjourned to Thursday the 30th September 1926, at 5 P.M. for the consideration of the remaining one subject on the agenda of the special meeting for the 18th instant.

The other special meeting called for the consideration of the report of the Special Committee on the Drainage Scheme of the Bangalore City was also adjourned to Thursday the 30th to come after the above.

No. 23

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 2ND OCTOBER 1926 AT 8 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 21 | Absent ... 9

3. Consideration of Government Order No. 7210-1—Ml. 86-24-155, dated 28th May 1926, issuing instructions in the matter of the maintenance and audit of accounts of the Special Engineer, Bangalore City Improvement Works, to prevent a recurrence of the irregularities noticed by the Assistant Comptroller in the course of his inspection of the system of maintaining these accounts. Also the joint report of the Municipal Commissioner and the Honorary President in the matter.

Resolution.—The Joint Report of the Honorary President (Mr. Mohamed Abbas Khan) and the Municipal Commissioner (Mr. B. T. Kesavaiengar, B.A.), was read out *in extenso* as also the Government Order referred to above.

The President made a statement explaining clearly the several points raised in the Government Order.

The subject was discussed at great length. It was observed by some members that the subject was not ripe for final decision and that the opinion of Sir K. P. Puttanna Chetty, who was the Chairman of the Bangalore City Improvement Committee in 1921 and the other members of the Committee might be obtained on the several irregularities brought to notice and placed before the Council.

It was then proposed by Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty and seconded by Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar that the consideration of the subject be deferred till the views of Sir K. P. Puttanna Chetty were obtained. This was lost as only seven voted 'For' and twelve 'Against' Poll was demanded and granted.

The following voted 'For':—(1) Mr. S. Venkatarangiengar, (2) Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva, (3) Mr. P. M. Basappa, (4) Mr. B. L. Byánna, (5) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (6) Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty and (7) Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar.

The following voted 'Against':—(1) Mr. M. Royan, (2) Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, (3) Mr. G. Paramasiviah, (4) Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia, (5) Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, (6) Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao, (7) Mr. G. Siddaveerappa, (8) Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, (9) Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah, (10) Mr. N. V. Kalyanapur, (11) Mr. P. Murugesam Pillay and (12) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.

Mr. G. Siddaveerappa proposed and Mr. G. Paramasiviah seconded that the joint report of the President and the Municipal Commissioner be accepted and submitted to Government.

This proposition was carried, fourteen voting 'For' and six 'Against'. Poll was demanded and granted.

The following voted 'For':—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. M. Royan, (3) Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, (4) Mr. S. Venkatarangaiengar, (5) Mr. N. V. Kalyanapur, (6) Mr. G. Paramasiviah, (7) Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, (8) Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah, (9) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, (10) Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao, Sindia, (11) Mr. P. Murugesam Pillay, (12) Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao, (13) Mr. G. Siddaveerappa, and (14) Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar.

The following voted 'Against':—(1) Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva, (2) Mr. P. M. Basappa, (3) Mr. B. L. Byanna, (4) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (5) Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, and (6) Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar.

The other subject, *i.e.*, the consideration of the report of the Special Committee on the Drainage Scheme of the Bangalore City was deferred to some day to be fixed later on by the President.

No. 24.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 2ND OCTOBER 1926, AT 10 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 16 | Absent ... 14

The proceedings of the meetings of the Council held during September 1926 were taken as read.

Deferred Subjects.

3. To consider the resolution of the Managing Committee, dated 24th August 1926, regarding the recovery of the value of sites on the Hoskote Road, granted to Mr. B. Usmon Khan for Electric Laundry.

Resolution.—Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao proposed and Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar seconded that the resolution of the Managing Committee be accepted *in toto*. This was carried unanimously.

4. To consider letter No. 4455, dated 17th December 1925, from the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, calling for the views of the Council as to why the payment of the grant to the City Municipality of the land revenue and cesson lands situated in the City Municipal areas should not be terminated and the Chief Commissioner's Order of the 10th April 1875 on the subjects should not be rescinded. Also Managing Committee's resolution dated 8th June 1926 thereon.

Resolution.—Resolved that the resolution of the Managing Committee be accepted and the Government be requested to kindly arrange for an early payment of the amount due to the Municipality.

7. Petition dated 12th August 1926, from Messrs. Desada Siddabasappa Setty and Yajaman Basappa, Trustees of Door Nos. 3 and 4, Arcot Sreenivasachar's Street requesting that the compensation amount for acquiring a portion of the said properties may be paid to them. Also Office Note stating that a sum of Rs. 1,097-8-0 was awarded in 1925 and the land has been taken possession of on 24th April 1923.

Resolution.—Resolved that a sum of Rs. 1,097-8-0 be placed at the disposal of the Land Acquisition Officer for payment to the proper party and that this amount be met from the closing balance of the current year's budget.

8. Messrs. B. L. Byanna and Hoskote Bhadrappa to move :—

"That in view of the present high prices of grain and also of the low emoluments now paid to the Shanbhogi, staff of the Collection Branch, this Council resolves that the salary of the said Shanbhogi staff of this Municipality be reasonably raised."

Resolution.—Withdrawn.

9. Mr. B. L. Byanna to move :—

"That this Council resolves that necessary steps be taken with the least possible delay to see that the owners as well as those that ply vehicles especially jutkas, do maintain and attach to the said vehicles bells, which may be used, as a means of cautioning and warning the pedestrians or passers-by against encountering accidents [and also restrain the said drivers from addressing the pedestrians with indecent terms such as "Hai! Hai!!"]."

Resolution.—At the request of the mover, the last two lines enclosed within brackets were permitted to be deleted. The proposition was then referred to the Bye-law Committee for favour of opinion.

10. Mr. B. L. Byanna to move :—

"That in view of the fact that the Municipal Commissioner has been empowered with the acquisition work relating to the City Municipality and that it is an additional work devolved on him apart from his legitimate functions of Office, this Council resolves that a monthly allowance of Rs. 100 be paid to him as long as he continues to be the Acquisition Officer."

Resolution.—Mr. B. L. Byanna proposed and Mr. Ramachandra Rao Sindia seconded the proposition.

The proposition was discussed at some length and when it was put to vote, there was an equality of votes, six 'for' and six 'against.' Poll was demanded and granted. The following voted 'for':—(1) Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, (2) Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, (3) Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, (4) Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao, Sindia, (5) Mr. B. L. Byanna, and (6) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.

The following voted 'against':—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, (3) Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah, (4) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (5) Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, and (6) Mr. G. Siddaveerappa.

(President did not vote).

12. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi to move :—

(*a*) "That this Council resolves that the three mills, *viz.*, The Bangalore Woollen Cotton and Silk Mills Co., Ltd., The Mysore Spinning and Manufacturing Co., Ltd., and the Minerva Mills, Ltd., be requested to provide sanitary dwelling houses for their employees and to take early steps so that the scheme may be completed within one year.

Resolution.—Mr. S. N. M. Razvi proposed, and Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar seconded the proposition.

Mr. N. Sanjeeviah proposed and Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer seconded, an amendment that the following concerns be also added :—

(1) The Government Printing Press, (2) The Weaving Factory, (3) M. S. M. Railway Workshop, (4) Sri Ramakrishna Oil Mills, (5) Reddi Muniappa's Oil Mill, (6) Messrs. Petrie Hay and Sons' Iron Works, and (7) The Central Industrial Workshop.

The amendment was lost as only three voted 'for' and seven 'against' it.

Poll was demanded and granted. The following voted 'for':—(1) Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, (2) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, (3) Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah.

The following voted 'against':—(1) Mr. Belur Sreenivasaiyengar, (2) Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, (3) Mr. G. Siddaveerappa, (4) Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, (5) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (6) Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, and (7) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao.

The original proposition of Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, was then put to vote and carried, five voting 'for' and four 'against' it.

Poll was demanded and granted. The following voted 'for':—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar, (3) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (4) Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, and (5) Mr. G. Siddaveerappa.

The following voted 'against':—(1) Mr. N. G. Sanjeeviah, (2) Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, (3) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, and (4) Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty.

(*b*) "It further resolves that the Government be requested to take early steps to give effect to the above resolution."

Resolution.—Withdrawn.

(*c*) "A copy of the above resolutions be sent to the authorities of the Mills concerned for necessary action."

Resolution.—Withdrawn.

As it was 12-30 noon, the meeting was adjourned to Monday the 4th October 1926, at 5 P.M.

No. 25.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON MONDAY THE 4TH OCTOBER 1926, AT 5 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... ... 17 | Absent 13

3. To consider letter No. 1054, dated 26th July 1926, from the Chief Engineer in Mysore, Bangalore, proposing certain additional establishment for the collection of excess water charges and the flat rate of four annas. Also correspondence ending with his letter No. 2560, dated 31st August 1926, stating that no additional establishment is required, if the collection work is undertaken by the Municipality.

Resolution.—Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva proposed and Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao seconded the following proposition :—

"Resolved that the collection of excess water charges and the flat rate of four annas be taken over from the Water Supply Department, Public Works Department, to the Municipality and that arrangements be made to the transfer of the existing establishment to the Municipality." Carried unanimously.

4. To consider letter No. G. 1022-25—46-26, dated 23rd April 1926, from the President, C. & M. Station Municipality, stating that the agreement regarding the use of the Station Fire Brigade has to be entered into by the Mysore Durbar with the Secretary of State and not with the Municipal Commission of the Station. Also correspondence ending with letter No. 307, dated 24th August 1926, from the Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division, Bangalore, stating that the present distribution of water is not suited to use the fire engine in the City and that 49 fire hydrants at a cost of Rs. 11,969 will be required within the City limits.

Resolution.—Resolved that in modification of the previous resolution, dated 4th January 1926, on the Subject, the Civil and Military Station Municipality be informed that in the present circumstances of water supply, etc., the Council is of opinion that it is not possible to enter into the proposed contract. Resolved further that the Council is of opinion that the subject be dropped. Carried unanimously.

5. To sanction the allocation statement of the Budget grant for the City Improvement Contribution Works for the year 1926-27, submitted by the Special Engineer with his Memo No. 292, dated 31st August 1926.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

6. To sanction the acquisition of a plot of ground measuring 20' × 20' belonging to Mr. Obalappa in New Taragupet, for the construction of a latrine and urinal as per resolution of the City Improvement Committee, dated 22nd April 1926.

Resolution.—The acquisition of the property as proposed by the Municipal City Improvement Committee is sanctioned. Nine voted 'For' and 7 'Against.'

7. To sanction the acquisition of a plot of ground measuring 20' × 20' belonging to Mr. Chinnaswamy Chetty in New Tharagupet, for the construction of a latrine and urinal as per resolution of the City Improvement Committee, dated 22nd April 1926.

Resolution.—The acquisition of the property is sanctioned as proposed by the Municipal City Improvement Committee. Ten voted 'For' and 5 'Against.'

11. To consider the resolution of the Managing Committee, dated 3rd September 1926, on the Memo No. 268, dated 14th August 1926 of the Health Officer, submitting proposals for improving the conditions of the sweepers in the City :—

(*a*) Ten sweepers on Rs. 10 each be entertained during the year as a temporary measure to meet the immediate needs of the City, the extra cost to be met from re-appropriation, if possible, or else from the closing balance.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(*b*) Very early steps be taken to provide suitably constructed huts in the Timber Yard, Goripalya and near Gangammacherry, at least 24 huts in all being built during the current official year, the expenditure to be met by re-appropriation for the major or minor heads or from the closing balance as the case may be.

Resolution.—The construction of 24 tiled houses is sanctioned.

(*c*) Very early steps be also taken to open three schools to meet the needs of the people living in Goripalya, Timber Yard and Subedar Chattram Road, the opinion of the Education Committee being obtained in this matter. Expenditure to be met from re-appropriation, if possible, otherwise from the closing balance.

Resolution.—Referred to the Municipal Education Committee for favour of early report.

15. To consider the question of shifting the Arlepet Dispensary from the present building to another building which provides quarters to the Sub-Assistant Surgeon, belonging

to Mr. M. Ramaswami, M.A., Bar-at-Law, Public Prosecutor, on a monthly rent of Rs. 50 of which Rs. 5 has to be paid by the Sub-Assistant Surgeon.

(Note.—The rent of the present building is Rs. 30 per month.)

Resolution.—Resolved that the dispensary be shifted to the building owned by Mr. M. Ramaswami, M.A., Bar-at-Law, on a monthly rent of Rs. 50 of which Rs. 5 has to be paid by the Sub-Assistant Surgeon and that the building be taken on lease for five years, after obtaining the approval of the District Board, Bangalore District, which has to pay one-third of the expenditure.

19. To record letter No. C. 544—814, dated 8th September 1926, from the President, District Board, Bangalore District, conveying the thanks of the District Conference Committee for the contribution of Rs. 200 by the City Municipality for the All Karnataka Exhibition. Aiso to nominate two members of the Council to serve on the Exhibition Committee.

Resolution.—1. Recorded.

2. Resolved that Messrs. Belur Srinivasiengar and G. Paramasiviah be nominated to serve on the Exhibition Committee.

Meeting adjourned to to-morrow (5th October 1926), at 5 P.M.

No. 26.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON TUESDAY THE 5TH OCTOBER 1926, AT 5 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... ... 15 | Absent 15

Continuation of the Subjects on the Printed Agenda for 2nd October 1926.

25. To consider the following resolution of the Municipal City Improvement Committee, dated 8th September 1926, on the application of Messrs. R. Gopalaswamy Iyer and R. Ananthasubramanyam, praying for the grant of land, situate between their sites near Ramakrishna Mutt on Bull Temple Road:—

"Resolved that the Municipal land applied for, measuring about (435' × 2') Sq. ft., be given to the applicant in exchange for a bit of his ground situate to the extreme west of his land measuring about (52 × 220) Sq. ft. (to be surrendered by the party free of cost to the Municipality)."

Resolution.—The resolution of the Municipal City Improvement Committee is approved.

26. Memo, dated 22nd September 1926, from the Land Acquisition Officer, Bangalore City, stating that the whole house, bearing Municipal No. 15 in Beli Srinivasa Rao Lane, Bangalore City, a portion of which has now been notified for acquisition for the Mutton Market, has to be acquired at an estimated cost of Rs. 3,705-4-9 as the owner insists upon the acquisition of the whole house.

Resolution.—The acquisition of the whole house is sanctioned.

29. To record correspondence ending with Memo No. 567, dated 21st September 1926, from the Health Officer in the matter of the recent strike of the scavengers and sweepers in the City.

Resolution.—Recorded with a vote of thanks of the Council to the Municipal Commissioner and the Health Officer for their prompt and effective measures in the matter.

30. To record Memo No. L. 2250, dated 22nd September 1926, from the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, forwarding copy of his letter No. L. 2249—Ml. 117-23-135, dated 22nd September 1926 to the Comptroller requesting him to remit to the Municipality, a sum of Rs. 40,000 out of the amount due to the Municipality on account of Government contribution for the year 1924-1925.

Resolution.—Recorded with the observation that Government be requested to kindly place, as early as possible, at the disposal of the Municipal Council, the balance of the amount due to the Municipality on account of the grants sanctioned by Government from time to time.

"That in view of the fact that great hardship is being felt or experienced already by some of the Municipal Councillors or is about to be felt or experienced by the members of this Council, this Council resolves that the existing Rule 5 of the Rules *re* answering Interpellations, which lays down that no discussion in the Council shall be permitted in respect of any order of the President disallowing any interpellations be done away with or be deleted forthwith."

Resolution.—Lapsed owing to the absence of the mover.

33. Messrs. G. B. Raghavendrachar and S. N. M. Razvi to move :—

"That as in the opinion of the City Municipal Council the rumoured transfer of Mr. M. L. Narasimha Iyengar, Range Officer, in charge of Chamarajendra Water Works, works a hardship to the rate-payers of Bangalore City, especially at this juncture when the water scarcity is experienced in all parts of the City, this Council resolves that Government be requested to keep by the said order, if any, till water supply in Bangalore City improves."

Resolution.—The proposition was lost, as only 2 voted 'For' and 10 'Against.'

34. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi to move :—

"That this Council recommends the deletion of the following words from Clause 2 of Rule issued under Section 29 of the Municipal Regulation, (the Chief Officer, Health Officer and the Engineer of the Municipal Council.)"

Resolution.—Mr. S. N. M. Razvi proposed and Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar seconded the proposition.

The proposition was discussed at great length and was lost, as only 4 voted 'For' and 6 'Against.'

Poll was demanded and granted.

The following voted 'For' :—1. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, (2) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (3) Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, and (4) Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur.

The following voted 'Against' :—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, (3) Mr. G. Paramasiviah, (4) Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, (5) Mr. G. Siddaveerappa, and (6) Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao.

35. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar to move :—

1. "That as an incentive to encourage home industries, duty on hand-spun and hand-woven khadi be abolished."

Resolution.—Deferred for a report to be called for from the Executive Officers.

2. "That Rule No. 4 of the Rules relating to the conduct of business of meetings be amended such that after "any Councillor present at the meeting, etc., ... has been given" the following words be added :—'Or the same proposition of which notice has been given may automatically go to the agenda of the next month's meeting, if none of the Councillors present at the meeting move the same."

Resolution.—Withdrawn.

3. "That the undermentioned Officers of the Municipality, be invariably Officers lent by Government.

1. Office Manager.
2. Revenue Manager.
3. Octroi Manager.

Resolution.—Mr. Belur Sreenivasiengar moved an amendment that the word "Invariably," be substituted by the word 'Generally.' Mr. G. Paramasiviah seconded the amendment. The amended proposition was put to vote and carried as 8 members voted 'For' and 3 'against' it.

4. "That the Government be requested to provide for the exchange of service of the Municipal employees from one Municipality to another, in the interests of efficiency."

Resolution.—After discussion, the following proposition was unanimously adopted by the Council :—

"That all Municipal employees in the superior grade be made interchangeable with those in Government Service."

5. "That the election of the President of the City Municipality be thrown open to the general body of voters.

Resolution.—Approved. 10 voted 'For' and 1 'Against.'

36. Mr. G. Siddaveerappa to move :—

"Resolved that permission be granted to Mr. Malkappa, residing in Cubbonpet, for putting up a mantap on the old Samadhi of his father, situated in the premises known as Eeramma Mutt in Chamarajpet."

Resolution.—Referred to the Commissioner for disposal

Additional Subjects.

1. To consider the following resolutions of the City Improvement Committee, dated 12th April 1926, regarding the grant of a site near the Kalasipalya Police Station, for the construction of a Musafirkhana for the use of the relatives of the Muslim in-patients of the Minto Opthalmic and Victoria Hospitals as applied for by the Superintendent of the Minto Opthalmic Hospital in his letter No. 590) dated 18th February 1926.

"Resolved that a site free of cost" measuring 250' x 100' be given either at A or B marked on the plan, according to suitability of the general alignment of the sites in the locality, subject to the conditions usually imposed on such grants.

Resolution.—Resolved that the site marked B in the plan measuring 250' x 100' be given free of cost as per resolution of the Municipal City Improvement Committee, subject to the condition that the construction of the building should be begun within a year.

2. To consider the following resolution of the Municipal Education Committee dated 24th August 1926, in the matter of shifting Fort Municipal Primary School from the Tippu Sultan's Palace.—

"Resolved that a separate building near the present school be taken up for holding the Primary School on a monthly rent not exceeding Rs. 50."

Resolution.—Resolved that a separate building near the present school premises be taken up for the school at a monthly rent not exceeding Rs. 50, the Municipality paying the usual contribution of one-third and that in anticipation of the approval of the Inspector-General of Education, steps be taken to remove the school at an early date from Tippu Sultan's Palace as ordered by Government.

3. To sanction the appointment of two additional Sub-Overseers at a monthly cost of Rs. 50 plus Rs. 7-8-0 each, for a period of three months to attend to the revision of the old estimates and settlement of contractor's claims. (*Vide* Special Engineer's Memo No. 383, dated 16th September 1926.)

Resolution.—Sanctioned. Ten 'For' and one 'Against'.

4. To consider the question of giving an additional electric light in the road that connects Kitchetty Chattram Road and Seshadripuram Road to the west of Central Jail building, and also installing an electric street light at the end of the road connecting Kempambudhi Tank Bund Road and 5th Cross Road, Chamarajapet, leading to Burial Ground.

Resolution.—Resolved that the installation of two additional lights in the places referred to one in each locality, be sanctioned. Voting.—Unanimous.

5. To sanction plan and detailed estimated amounting to Rs. 12,822 for constructing a row of shops in extension of the Market Frontage towards the east.

Resolution.—Resolved that the plan and the estimate for Rs. 12,822 be sanctioned.

Meeting adjourned for want of time to Saturday the 9th October 1926 at

No. 27.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 9TH OCTOBER 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present	15	Absent	15

Letter dated 9th October 1926, from Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, stating that owing to ill health he is unable to attend the Council Meetings for a week was read and recorded.

31. To approve of the tender for the construction of the Grain Bazaar towards the south in continuation of the block of shops under construction.

Resolution.—Resolved that the tender of Mr. B. Muniyappa for Rs. 10,317-14-3, excluding the cost of iron girders (item No. 13 of the tender) to be supplied by the Department, be accepted. Carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL SUBJECT.

1. To consider the resolutions of the Special Finance Committee dated 14th and 21st September 1926 on the respective memoranda of the Honorary President and the Municipal Commissioner regarding the revision of the Collection Branch of the Municipality.

Resolution.—The resolutions of the Special Finance Committee and the memorandum of the Honorary President were read *in Extenso*.

The first resolution of the Finance Committee dated 14th September 1926, recommending an increase in the number of shanbhogs from 16 to 20 was considered.

Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva proposed and Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao Seconded that the recommendation of the Finance Committee to increase the number of shanbhogs from 16 to 20 be approved.

The proposition was passed, nine voting 'For' and three 'Against'. Messrs. G. Paramasiviah and B. N. Vijayadeva demanded a Poll. The following voted 'For':—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. S. Venkatarangiengar, (3) Mr. P. M. Basappa, (4) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (5) Mr. G. Muniyappa, (6) Mr. R. Gopalaswamy Iyer, (7) Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, (8) Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao, and (9) Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva. The following voted 'Against':—(1) Mr. G. Paramasiviah, (2) Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar and (3) Mr. N. V. Kalyanapur.

Further consideration of the resolution of the Finance Committee and the other additional subjects were deferred to the Ordinary meeting in November next.

No. 28.

PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON MONDAY THE 11TH OCTOBER 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present	10	Absent	20

Letter dated 11th October 1926, from Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar, Municipal Councillor, stating that owing to some other engagement, he will not be able to attend the meeting, was read and recorded.

Subject.—Consideration of the Draft Administration Report of the Bangalore City Municipality for 1925-26, copies of which were circulated among the members of the Council.

Resolution.—

1. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, in moving for the adoption of the report, suggested that the following points may be incorporated in the report:—

(1) A paragraph to be added as regards the steps taken to remove congestion in the City, the number of conservancy lanes opened and the amount spent for the purpose during the year under report;

(2) The paragraph about the well works may be made a little more elaborate; and

(3) Information as to the number of rubber tyred jutkas and the condition of ponies plying for hire may be given.

2. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi urged that the following points be incorporated in the report:—

(1) The number of prosecutions lodged, convictions secured under the Public Conveyance Regulation during the year;

(2) Mention to be made of the necessity of more model houses for the poor and the extension of the scheme as far as possible;

(3) Mention to be made of the desirability of an early transfer of control over the Hindustani Schools to the Municipality as resolved upon by the Council more than once;

(4) Number of suits filed by the Municipal Advocate, how many were decreed and how many were dismissed to be noted.

3. Mr. R. Gopalaswamy Iyer said that the kind attention of the Government may be drawn to the long pending Dobspet and Upparahalli Scheme.

4. Mr. Nilagiri Sanjeeviah suggested that under Charitable Institutions, mention may be made of the annual grant of Rs. 800, from the Muzrai Commissioner and the purpose for which it was used.

5. Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao suggested that among the names of the Councillors who audited the accounts, his name and that of Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva may be mentioned, as they had also audited the accounts of some months.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao then proposed and Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao seconded that the Administration Report be adopted, with the suggestions made as above. Carried *nem con.*

The Honorary President proposed on behalf of the Council a vote of thanks to the Municipal Commissioner and other Officers for the good work done by them during the year under report. This was carried *nem con.*

MOHAMED ABBAS KHAN,
Honorary President

KOLAR GOLD FIELDS SANITARY BOARD.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 2ND ORDINARY MEETING OF THE KOLAR GOLD FIELDS SANITARY BOARD, FOR THE YEAR 1926-27, HELD ON FRIDAY THE 29TH OCTOBER 1926, AT 3-30 P.M., IN THE SANITARY BOARD OFFICE, AT CHAMPION REEFS.

Members.

Present	 17	Absent	 1

Read letters from the following members stating that they will not be able to attend the meeting this day:—

1. The District Medical Officer, Kolar Gold Fields.

1. Proceedings of the 1st Ordinary Meeting and the Special Meeting held on 20th August and 24th September 1926, respectively.

Resolution.—Confirmed.

3. List of public works sanctioned in the August and September 1926.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

5. (i) Deferred Subject No. 5 of the last Ordinary Meeting *re* the Draft Agreement to be entered into with Government Electric Department in the matter of supply of power for Kolar Gold Fields Street Lighting.

(ii) G. O. No. L. 1705-7—L. B. 4-26-2, dated 1st September 1926, fixing a flat rate of Rs. 22-8-0 per annum per light for Kolar Gold Fields Street Lighting.

Resolution.—The agreement may be accepted.

Proposals.

6. (i) Proposal to put up a pipe line from Kennedy's Shaft Lines to a point over the boundary in the Sanitary Board area at an estimated cost of Rs. 118 for giving water facilities to the people living in the Sanitary Board area adjoining Kennedy Shaft.